

Buildings for the Future

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Eco design, energy efficiency, community participation

The Community Architect Programme:

Lincolnshire's leading charitable grant maker, the Community Foundation, has joined forces with the University and the Church to upgrade the County's community buildings. We've hired the UK's first Community Architect, James Murphy. He's a rare mix of common sense, advanced theory and creative vision. His brief is to transform community spaces, making them efficient and sustainable:

Alternative energy sources – geothermal can cost as little as 1% fossil fuel based systems

Dialogue with the “stakeholders” to achieve true “participatory design”

Long-term solutions with real benefits - business, social and environmental

Quote:

James has a unique opportunity to match the know-how, energy and resources of the University and the Church to the needs of local communities, from grassroots up –
Gordon Hunter, Foundation Director

The Partners:

The Foundation gives £1 million a year in grants to people and projects from the Humber to the Wash: www.lincolnshirecf.co.uk

The Diocese of Lincoln has 700 churches, halls and schools; many of them ripe for refurbishment, eco proofing and community use.

Lincoln University has put graduate and undergraduate resources into the programme: architecture, business studies and marketing.

